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**Notification of European publication number and information on the application of Article 67(3) EPC**

The provisional protection under Article 67(1) and (2) EPC in the individual contracting states becomes effective only when the conditions referred to in Article 67(3) EPC have been fulfilled (for further details, see information brochure of the European Patent Office "National Law relating to the EPC" and additional information in the Official Journal of the European Patent Office).

Pursuant to Article 158(1) EPC the publication under Article 21 PCT of an international application for which the European Patent Office is a designated Office takes the place of the publication of a European patent application.

The bibliographic data of the above-mentioned Euro-PCT application will be published on 28.02.07 in Section I.1 of the European Patent Bulletin. The European publication number is 1755605.

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**Communication pursuant to Rules 109 and 110 EPC**

**(1) Amendment of application documents, especially the claims (R. 109 EPC)**

The above mentioned international (Euro-PCT) application has entered the European phase, or can do so, once the necessary conditions are fulfilled.

Under Articles 28, 41 PCT, Rules 52, 78 PCT and Rule 86(2) to (4) EPC, the applicant may amend the application documents after receiving the international search report.

**Whether or not he has already done so, he now has a further opportunity to file amended claims or other application documents within a non-extendable time limit of one month after notification of the present communication (R. 109 EPC).**

The claims applicable on expiry of the above time limit, i.e. those filed on entry into the European phase or in response to the present communication, will form the basis for the calculation of any claims fee to be paid (see page 2) and for any supplementary search to be carried out under Article 157(2) EPC (R. 109 EPC).

**(2) Claims fees under Rule 110 EPC**

If the application documents on which the European grant procedure is to be based comprise more than ten claims, a claims fee shall be payable for the eleventh and each subsequent claim within the period provided for in Rule 107(1) EPC.

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- All necessary fees will be/have been debited automatically according to the automatic debit order.
- The claims fee due for the claims ..... to ..... were not paid within the above-mentioned period.

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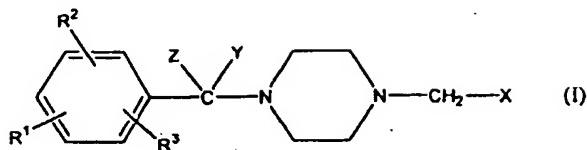
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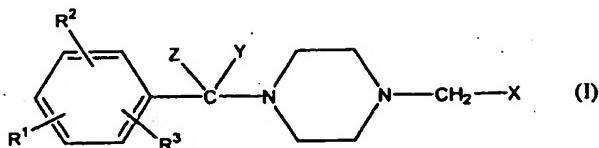
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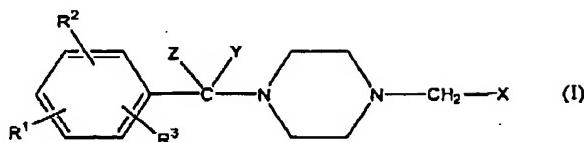


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13. The use of claim 1 wherein the compound of formula I is [(2,3,4-trimethoxy)phenyl]-[4-ethylpiperazin-1-yl] methanone.
14. A composition comprising a compound of formula (I) as defined in claim 1 in combination with a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier.

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Dear Sirs

Re: European Patent Application No. 05 776 434.2. based on  
PCT Patent Application No. PCT/US2005/012028  
(Filed 12th April 2005) claiming priority from  
US Patent Application No. 60/562,643  
(Filed 15th April 2004)  
Applicants: Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; and  
Georgetown University  
Inventors: LECANU, L.; GREESON, J.; PAPADOPoulos, V.  
"Use of (4-Alkylpiper Azinyl) (Phenyl) Methanones in the  
Treatment of Alzheimer's Disease"  
Case: SLWK 1941.001EP1

BY FAX

We have been instructed to act on behalf of Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Georgetown University in the prosecution of the European Regional Phase of this application.

We are instructed that the Applicant wishes to proceed in all available states which we believe are: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Switzerland (including Liechtenstein), Cyprus, Czech Republic, Germany, Denmark, Estonia, Spain, Finland, France, UK, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Iceland, Italy, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Monaco, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Sweden, Slovenia, Slovakia and Turkey.

We have today sent a copy of this letter to your Cash & Accounts department in Munich, together with a fee sheet instructing them to deduct the sum of EUR 2976.00 from our Deposit Account No. 28050111 to cover:-

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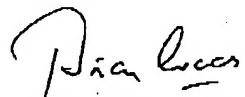
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Would you please accept this letter as our formal request for Substantive Examination of this application which should be carried out on the basis of the claims enclosed.

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Yours faithfully

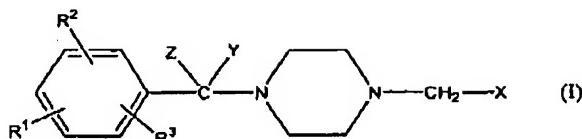


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**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:****1. Use of a compound of formula I:**

wherein:

- a) R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> are individually H, OH, halo, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkoxy, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)cycloalkyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)cycloalkyl((C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkyl), (C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkenyl, (C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkynyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkanoyl, halo(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkyl, hydroxy(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkoxycarbonyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkylthio, thio(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkanoyloxy, N(R<sup>6</sup>)(R<sup>7</sup>) wherein R<sup>6</sup> and R<sup>7</sup> are individually H, O, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>) alkyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)cycloalkyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)cycloalkyl(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkyl, phenyl or benzyl, or R<sup>6</sup> and R<sup>7</sup>, together with the N to which they are attached form a 5- or 6-membered ring, optionally comprising 1-2 S, N(R<sup>6</sup>) or nonperoxide O, or R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>2</sup> together are methylenedioxy;
- b) Y and Z together are =O, -O(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>O- or -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>- wherein m is 2-4, or Y is H and Z is OR<sup>9</sup> or SR<sup>9</sup>, wherein R<sup>9</sup> is H or (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl;
- c) X is (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkoxy, hydroxyl(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkyl (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub>)alkenyl, (C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkynyl, carboxy, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkoxycarbonyl, thio(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>) alkyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub>)heterocyclo, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub>) heterocycloalkyl(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>) alkyl, aryl or heteroaryl, optionally substituted by 1, 2 or 3 R<sup>1</sup>;
- or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof in the preparation of a medicament for treating a mammal threatened or afflicted by Alzheimer's disease.

**2. The use of claim 1 wherein the medicament is for inhibiting A<sub>β</sub> peptide-induced neurotoxicity preferably A<sub>β</sub><sub>1-42</sub> neurotoxicity.**

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